

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2853
ANSWERED ON:09.08.2000
REHABILITATION COUNCIL OF INDIA
UMMAREDDY VENKATESWARLU

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the constitution aims and objects of the Rehabilitation Council of India alongwith the expenses incurred during 1999-2000;
- (b) the contributions made by the RCI during the last three years;
- (c) whether the Government propose to review its continuation; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SMT. MANEKA GANDHI)

- (a) The Rehabilitation Council of India (RCI) consist of 25 Members, including a Member-Secretary and is headed by a Chairperson. The main functions of RCI include
- (i) standardization of training courses at different levels;
 - (ii) regularization of standards of training in all the training institutions throughout the country;
 - (iii) recognition of institutions/universities for their training courses within and outside the country on a reciprocal basis; and
 - (iv) maintenance of a Central Rehabilitation Register for professionals possessing recognized qualification in the area of rehabilitation. During the last financial year, 1999-2000, an expenditure of Rs. 7.52 crore was incurred.
- (b) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.
- (c)&(d) The review of the functioning of the RCI is a continuous process.

ANNEXURE

STATEMENT REFEREED TO IN PART (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2853 FOR ANSWER ON 09.08 RAISED BY SHRI UNNAREDDY VENKATESWARLU ABOUT REHABILITATION COUNCIL OF INDIA.

The contribution made by Rehabilitation Council of India during the last three years is as follows:-

- (i) Recognition of Institution: Till 1997-98, 114 Universities/Institutions were accorded Permanent/Provisional recognition by the Council. During 1998-99, five more institutions was added, bringing the total figure to 119. Upto March 2000, a total of 124 institutions were recognized by the Council.
- (ii) Standardisation of Training Programme: Upto 1997-98 the Council formulated 48 short term/long term training programmes. In 1998-99, two more courses were developed. During 1999-2000, three new Courses were developed. Till 31st March 2000, a total of 53 courses have, thus, been standardized. Six (6) more courses have been approved for introduction during the current academic year, 2000-2001.
- (iii) Central Rehabilitation Register: Under Central Rehabilitation Register the Council, had registered professionals/personnel during the last three years as under:-

1997-98	544
1998-99	4211
1999-2000	6172

National Bridge Course: The Council has trained 8600 trainees through 150 institutions throughout the country. The programme is continuing.

National Programme on Orientation of Medical Officer to Disability Management: 2400 doctors have been trained in 20 States. The scheme is continuing.